

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**  
*"A Tradition of Service"*

OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: March 15, 2016

FROM:  KELLEY S. FRASER, COMMANDER  
SOUTH PATROL DIVISION

TO: JOHN ROBERTS, CAPTAIN  
INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE FORCE REVIEW COMMITTEE FINDINGS

Case Number: FO2376224  
Incident: Use of Force  
Incident Date: March 19, 2015  
Unit: Twin Towers Correctional Facility  
Suspect: Taylor, Randy MW/07-04-56  
Involved Employees: Deputy [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]  
Deputy Alexander Lascrain # [REDACTED]  
Deputy [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]  
Deputy [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]  
Deputy [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]  
Deputy [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]  
Deputy [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]  
Deputy Leticia Rodriguez # [REDACTED]

EFRC Date: March 10, 2016

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### Incident Information

URN: <b>015 - 00892 - 5800 - 058</b>		Date: <b>March 19, 2015</b>	Time: <b>0655</b>
Location:	<b>450 Bauchet Street</b>		City or Station: <b>Los Angeles</b>
Bureau/Station/Facility:	<b>Twin Towers Correctional Facility Module 261</b>	Admin. Investigation: <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO	
Type of Force:	<b>Take Down/ Control Holds/ Personal Weapons/ Hobble/ Resisted Handcuffing</b>		
Incident Category:	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3	Deputy Injury:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
		Suspect Injury:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<input type="checkbox"/> Call	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Observation	<input type="checkbox"/> Detail	<input type="checkbox"/> Foot Pursuit <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Pursuit
IAB Notified:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	Person Notified:	<b>Lt. Richard Harpham</b>
Emp:	<b>[REDACTED]</b>	IAB Roll Out:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO

### Involved Employee

<b>E1</b>	Employee #	Last Name			First Name			Middle I.	Rank
	<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>[REDACTED]</b>			<b>[REDACTED]</b>			<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>CA</b>
Sex:		Race:	Height:	Weight:	Age:	Shift:			
<input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> F		<input type="radio"/> O	<b>500</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<input type="radio"/> EM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty		
Unit of Assignment:				Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):					
<b>Twin Towers Correction Facility</b>				<b>Module 261</b>					
Individual Force Used:							Individual Category		
<b>Resistive Handcuffing</b>							<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3		
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility:							Coroner Case #		

<b>E2</b>	Employee #	Last Name			First Name			Middle I.	Rank
	<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>Lascrain</b>			<b>Alexander</b>			<b>J.</b>	<b>DSG</b>
Sex:		Race:	Height:	Weight:	Age:	Shift:			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> M <input type="radio"/> F		<b>W</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<input type="radio"/> EM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty		
Unit of Assignment:				Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):					
<b>Twin Towers Correctional Facility</b>				<b>Module 261</b>					
Individual Force Used:							Individual Category		
<b>Take Down/ Personal Weapons / Resistive Handcuffing</b>							<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Injured <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility:							Coroner Case #		

<b>E3</b>	Employee #	Last Name			First Name			Middle I.	Rank
	<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>[REDACTED]</b>			<b>[REDACTED]</b>			<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>DSG</b>
Sex:		Race:	Height:	Weight:	Age:	Shift:			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> M <input type="radio"/> F		<b>H</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<input type="radio"/> EM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty		
Unit of Assignment:				Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):					
<b>Twin Towers Correctional Facility</b>				<b>Module 262</b>					
Individual Force Used:							Individual Category		
<b>Control Hold / Resistive Handcuffing</b>							<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3		
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility:							Coroner Case #		

### On Duty Supervisor

☒ Additional Involved Employees

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank	Present	Witness to Incident
<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>Rodriguez</b>	<b>Leticia</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>SGT.</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
Supervisor Completing Investigation						
<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>Easter</b>	<b>Anthony</b>	<b>E.</b>	<b>SGT.</b>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO	<input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO
Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant						
<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>Grall</b>	<b>David</b>	<b>M.</b>	<b>LT.</b>		

Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Copy Provided to Employee by: \_\_\_\_\_ Emp #: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Commander (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Commander's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Emp #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

FO#
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☐ PPI REVIEW COMPLETED

Original: Discovery Unit  
Copy: Unit Commander

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# Supervisor's Report on Use of Force

## SUSPECT INFORMATION

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### Suspect Information

**S 1**

Last Name <b>Taylor</b>		First Name <b>Randy</b>		Middle Name <b>Arthur</b>		Armed? Select <b>Not Armed</b>	
AKA Last Name		First Name		Middle Name			
Sex: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female	Race: <b>W</b>	Age: <b>59</b>	Height: <b>510</b>	Weight: <b>160</b>	D.O.B: <b>7/4/56</b>	Phone #1: <input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C <b>None</b>	Phone #2: <input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C
Street Address: <b>450 Bauchet Street</b>				City: <b>Los Angeles</b>		State & Zip Code: <b>CA 90012</b>	
Booking #: <b>4131046</b>		Primary Charge Code: <b>245(c) PC</b>		Secondary Charge Code:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminal History	
Treated on Scene? <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO		Name:		Unit:		Phone #:	
Hospital Admission? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Rec'd Treatment At: <b>LCMC</b>		Coroner Case #:		Mental History <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <small>User's guide provides direction on this entry</small>	
By: <b>Dr. Arthur Pryor</b>		Address: <b>1200 N. State Street</b>				Phone #: <b>323 409-1000</b>	
Under Influence: <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO		Substance: <b>None</b>		5150 a factor in force? <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		<small>User's guide provides direction on this entry</small>	
Date: <b>03/18/15</b>		Time: <b>0900</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Audiotape: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Videotape: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Photos of Injuries:		<input type="checkbox"/> ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS	

### Suspect Information

**S**

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Armed? Select	
AKA Last Name		First Name		Middle Name			
Sex: <input type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female	Race:	Age:	Height:	D.O.B.	Weight:	Phone #1: <input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C	Phone #2: <input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C
Street Address:				City:		State & Zip Code:	
Booking #:		Primary Charge Code:		Secondary Charge Code:		<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal History	
Treated on Scene? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		By:		Unit:		Phone #:	
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/>		Rec'd Treatment At:		Coroner Case #:		Mental History <input type="checkbox"/> <small>User's guide provides direction on this entry</small>	
By:		Address:				Phone #:	
Under Influence: <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		Substance:		5150 a factor in force? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		<small>User's guide provides direction on this entry</small>	
Date:		Time:		<input type="checkbox"/> Audiotape: <input type="checkbox"/> Videotape: <input type="checkbox"/> Photos of Injuries:		<input type="checkbox"/> ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS	

### Suspect Information

**S**

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Armed? Select	
AKA Last Name		First Name		Middle Name			
Sex: <input type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female	Race:	Age:	Height:	D.O.B.	Weight:	Phone #1: <input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C	Phone #2: <input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C
Street Address:				City:		State & Zip Code:	
Booking #:		Primary Charge Code:		Secondary Charge Code:		<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal History	
Treated on Scene? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		By:		Unit:		Phone #:	
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/>		Rec'd Treatment At:		Coroner Case #:		Mental History <input type="checkbox"/> <small>User's guide provides direction on this entry</small>	
By:		Address:				Phone #:	
Under Influence: <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		Substance:		5150 a factor in force? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		<small>User's guide provides direction on this entry</small>	
Date:		Time:		<input type="checkbox"/> Audiotape: <input type="checkbox"/> Videotape: <input type="checkbox"/> Photos of Injuries:		<input type="checkbox"/> ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS	



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## EMPLOYEE / NON-EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

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Employee Witnesses							
Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name				
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input type="radio"/> Regular <input type="radio"/> OT <input type="radio"/> Off Duty			
Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name				
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input type="radio"/> Regular <input type="radio"/> OT <input type="radio"/> Off Duty			
Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name				
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM <input type="radio"/> Regular <input type="radio"/> OT <input type="radio"/> Off Duty			
Non-Employee Witnesses							
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Age	D.O.B.
						46	
Street Address			City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2	
450 Bauchet Street			Los Angeles	90012			
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Age	D.O.B.
						53	
Street Address			City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2	
450 Bauchet Street			Los Angeles	90012			
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Age	D.O.B.
						26	
Street Address			City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2	
450 Bauchet Street			Los Angeles	90012			
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Age	D.O.B.
						50	
Street Address			City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2	
450 Bauchet Street			Los Angeles	90012			
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Age	D.O.B.
Street Address			City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2	
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Age	D.O.B.
Street Address			City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2	
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Age	D.O.B.
Street Address			City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2	
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Age	D.O.B.
Street Address			City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2	

☐ Additional Witness

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(AD) Abdomen	(FA) Face	(HI) Hip
(AK) Ankle	(FE) Feet	(IN) Internal
(AR) Arm	(FI) Fingers	(KN) Knees
(BK) Back	(GE) Genitals	(LE) Leg
(BT) Buttocks	(GR) Groin	(NK) Neck
(CH) Chest	(HD) Hands	(NO) Nose
(EL) Elbow	(HE) Head	(SH) Shoulder
		(WR) Wrist

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# Supervisor's Report on Use of Force INVOLVED EMPLOYEE - Continuation

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## Involved Employee

<b>E 4</b>	Employee #	Last Name					First Name		Middle I.	Rank DSG
	Sex: <input checked="" type="radio"/> M <input type="radio"/> F	Race: H	Height: 508	Weight: 251	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty			
	Unit of Assignment: Los Angeles County Medical Center					Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Module 262				
	Individual Force Used: Control Hold					<input type="radio"/> Directed <input type="radio"/> Rescue <input type="radio"/> Medical Assist		Individual Category <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3		
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility: _____										Coroner Case #
<b>E 5</b>	Employee #	Last Name					First Name		Middle I.	Rank CA
	Sex: <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> F	Race: B	Height: 503	Weight: 160	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty			
	Unit of Assignment: Twin Towers Correction Facility					Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Module 251				
	Individual Force Used: Hobble					<input checked="" type="radio"/> Directed <input type="radio"/> Rescue <input type="radio"/> Medical Assist		Individual Category <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3		
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility: _____										Coroner Case #
<b>E 6</b>	Employee #	Last Name					First Name		Middle I.	Rank DSG
	Sex: <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> F	Race: B	Height: 502	Weight: 135	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty			
	Unit of Assignment: Twin Towers Correctional Facility					Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Module 251				
	Individual Force Used: Control Hold					<input type="radio"/> Directed <input type="radio"/> Rescue <input type="radio"/> Medical Assist		Individual Category <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3		
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility: _____										Coroner Case #
<b>E 7</b>	Employee #	Last Name					First Name		Middle I.	Rank DSG
	Sex: <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> F	Race: H	Height: 504	Weight: 160	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty			
	Unit of Assignment: Twin Towers Correctional Facility					Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Module 251				
	Individual Force Used: Resistive Handcuffing					<input type="radio"/> Directed <input type="radio"/> Rescue <input type="radio"/> Medical Assist		Individual Category <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3		
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility: _____										Coroner Case #
<b>E 8</b>	Employee #	Last Name Rodriguez					First Name Leticia		Middle I. M	Rank SGT
	Sex: <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> F	Race: H	Height: 503	Weight: 170	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> PM	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty			
	Unit of Assignment: Twin Towers Correctional Facility					Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Tower 2 Sergeant				
	Individual Force Used: Directed Hobble					<input checked="" type="radio"/> Directed <input type="radio"/> Rescue <input type="radio"/> Medical Assist		Individual Category <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3		
<input type="checkbox"/> Injured <input type="checkbox"/> Treated <input type="checkbox"/> Admitted Facility: _____										Coroner Case #

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

**INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**INCIDENT:** Use of Force

**IAB FILE NUMBERS:** FO 2376224

**URN#:** 015-00892-5800-058

**DATE/TIME:** March 19, 2015, 0655 hours

**LOCATION:** Twin Towers Correctional Facility  
450 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, California 90012

**SYNOPSIS**

On March 19, 2015, an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) team comprised of Lieutenant Richard Harpham and Sergeant Sonia Bracken responded to Twin Towers Correctional Facility after being notified of a use of force wherein an inmate was diagnosed with a fractured left hand.

On March 19, 2015, at approximately 0650 hours, Custody Assistant [REDACTED] was working Module 261. Inmates housed within Module 261 are considered mentally challenged. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] went to B-Pod to get an inmate for court. During this process, another inmate (Suspect Randy Taylor) exited the pod and sat down in a chair within the indoor staging area. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] advised Deputy Lascurain of the suspect's actions. Deputy Lascurain responded to the indoor staging area to talk to the suspect. Deputy Lascurain removed a plastic soda bottle from the suspect's lap. Suddenly, the suspect stood up and advanced toward Deputy Lascurain. The suspect struck Deputy Lascurain with his fist causing Deputy Lascurain to fall to the floor. A fight ensued. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] requested assistance using her radio. Additional deputy personnel arrived to assist. The suspect was handcuffed and taken to the medical clinic for abrasions to his facial area and left foot, a small laceration to near his right eyelid, and a fractured left hand. Deputy Lascurain sustained a small laceration to his chin. All reports documenting this incident are submitted as [Exhibit A].

**IAB Note:** On December 18, 2015, the case was re-assigned to Sergeant Anthony Easter.



## **INVOLVED EMPLOYEE AND WORK HISTORY**

[REDACTED] Custody Assistant, # [REDACTED]

Custody Division

Twin Towers Correctional Facility

### **Work History**

Date of Employment:

May 27, 1999

Date Assigned to TTCF:

July 02, 1999

Date Completed Patrol Training:

Prior Shooting incident(s):

Prior Founded Force Incidents:

### **Equipment Worn On Person**

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray

Flashlight

Handcuffs

Radio

**Alexander J. Lascurain**, Deputy Sheriff, # [REDACTED]

Custody Division

Twin Towers Correctional Facility

### **Work History**

Date of Employment:

July 30, 2008

Date Assigned to TTCF:

April 1, 1972

Date Completed Patrol Training:

Prior Shooting incident(s):

Prior Founded Force Incidents:

### **Equipment Worn On Person**

Flashlight

Radio

Handcuffs

Keys

[REDACTED] Deputy Sheriff, # [REDACTED]

Custody Division

Twin Towers Correctional Facility

**Work History**

Date of Employment:  
Date Assigned to TTCF:  
Date Completed Patrol Training:  
Prior Shooting incident(s):  
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

March 6, 2014  
July 27, 2014



**Equipment Worn On Person**

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray  
Radio  
Handcuffs  
Cutter  
Hobble

[REDACTED] Deputy Sheriff, # [REDACTED]  
Custody Division  
Twin Towers Correctional Facility

**Work History**

Date of Employment:  
Date Assigned to TTCF:  
Date Completed Patrol Training:  
Prior Shooting incident(s):  
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

December 5, 2007  
October 11, 2009



**Equipment Worn On Person**

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray  
Hobble  
Radio

[REDACTED] Custody Assistant, # [REDACTED]  
Custody Division  
Twin Towers Correctional Facility

**Work History**

Date of Employment:  
Date Assigned to TTCF:  
Date Completed Patrol Training:  
Prior Shooting incident(s):  
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

August 04, 2008  
March 21, 2010



**Equipment Worn On Person**

Radio

----- Deputy Sheriff, # -----  
Custody Division  
Twin Towers Correctional Facility

**Work History**

Date of Employment: June 22, 2005  
Date Assigned to TTCF: March 11, 2012  
Date Completed Patrol Training:  
Prior Shooting incident(s):  
Prior Founded Force Incidents:



**Equipment Worn On Person**

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray  
Radio  
Hobble restraint  
Handcuffs (two pair)  
Keys

----- Deputy Sheriff, # -----  
Custody Division  
Twin Towers Custody Facility

**Work History**

Date of Employment: January 9, 2014  
Date Assigned to TTCF: June 1, 2014  
Date Completed Patrol Training:  
Prior Shooting incident(s):  
Prior Founded Force Incidents:



**Equipment Worn On Person**

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray  
Radio  
Handcuffs  
Keys

**Leticia M. Rodriguez**, Sergeant, # [REDACTED]  
Custody Division  
Twin Towers Correctional Facility

### **Work History**

Date of Employment:  
Date Assigned to TTCF:  
Date Completed Patrol Training:  
Prior Shooting incident(s):  
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

February 3, 2000  
July 13, 2014



### **Equipment Worn On Person**

Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray  
Radio  
Handcuffs  
Keys

### **SUSPECT INFORMATION**

**Randy Taylor**

Male, White, DOB: July 4, 1956, 5'10", 170 pounds

GI # [REDACTED]

MAIN # [REDACTED]

FBI # [REDACTED]

**IAB Note:** A copy of Suspect Taylor's criminal history is included in EXHIBIT B. He is currently incarcerated [REDACTED]

### **SUSPECT'S INJURIES**

Suspect Taylor sustained abrasions near his right eye, left foot, and left cheek. He had a small laceration near his right eye, and a fractured left hand. See photographs submitted as EXHIBIT C. Suspect Taylor was admitted into Los Angeles County Medical Center for having low sodium and an altered mental state.

### **DEPUTY PERSONNEL INJURIES**

Deputy Lascrain sustained a ½" scratch to his right chin area. He was treated at Proactive Health Services for his injury.

### **PHYSICAL EVIDENCE**

The incident was captured on close-circuit television (CCTV). See DVD [EXHIBIT E].



### **INVESTIGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS**

There were four CCTV cameras inside the indoor recreational room near Module 261. The cameras were located in each corner of the indoor recreational room.

### **WEAPON USED BY CUSTODY ASSISTANT [REDACTED]**

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] used personal weapons (hands) to apply control holds.

### **WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY LASCURAIN**

Deputy Lascurain used personal weapons (fist) and his hands to apply control holds.

### **WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY [REDACTED]**

Deputy [REDACTED] used personal weapons (hands) to apply control holds.

### **WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY [REDACTED]**

Deputy [REDACTED] used personal weapons (hands) to apply control holds.

### **WEAPON USED BY CUSTODY ASSISTANT [REDACTED]**

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] applied the hobble to Suspect Taylor's ankles after being directed by Sergeant Rodriguez.

### **WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY [REDACTED]**

Deputy [REDACTED] used personal weapons (hands) to apply control holds.

### **WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY [REDACTED]**

Deputy [REDACTED] used personal weapons (hands) to apply the handcuffs on Suspect Taylor as he resisted.

### **WEAPON USED BY SERGEANT RODRIGUEZ**

Sergeant Rodriguez directed Custody Assist [REDACTED] to hobble Suspect Taylor's ankles.

### **WEAPONS USED BY SUSPECT TAYLOR**

Suspect Taylor used personal weapons (fist) to strike Deputy Lascurain in the face and kicked (feet) Custody Assistant [REDACTED] in the leg.

## **PROPERTY DAMAGE BY SUSPECT TAYLOR**

None.

## **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS AND CHARGES FILED**

The criminal investigation into the assault upon Deputy Lascrain and Custody Assistant [REDACTED] was handled by Detective John Werner from the Jail Investigation Unit (JIU). On August 20, 2015, Suspect Taylor was charged with one felony count of Assault on a Peace Officer, 245(c) PC. His next court date is May 17, 2016.

## **LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS**

The indoor recreational area near Module 261 is illuminated by overhead lights. The incident occurred inside Twin Towers Correctional Facility; weather was not a factor

## **WITNESS STATEMENTS**

*The following narratives are intended only as a synopsis of the interviews. Additional information and precise wording may be obtained by reviewing the digitally audio recorded interviews and verbatim transcriptions. IAB investigators reviewed any reports authored by the involved deputies and determined they were consistent with their IAB Administrative Force Review interviews.*

### **CUSTODY ASSISTANT [REDACTED]**

On June 3, 2015, at 1013 hours, Sergeant Sonja Bracken and Sergeant Carlos Ybarra interviewed Custody Assistant [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]. The interview occurred at Internal Affairs Bureau.

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] has been employed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for almost 17 years. She is currently assigned to Men's Central Jail.

On March 19, 2015, Custody Assistant [REDACTED] was working at Twin Towers Correctional Facility. She was assigned to Module 261. At approximately 0650 hours, she stood in the doorway of B Pod, attempting to retrieve an inmate for court. Suspect Taylor began walking toward her. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] told Suspect Taylor to stop, because he was not the inmate she came to retrieve. Suspect Taylor ignored her and continued to walk toward her. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] moved out of Suspect Taylor's way, as he walked past her and exited B Pod. Suspect Taylor entered the D,E,F staging area and sat in a chair. Custody

Assistant [REDACTED] approached Suspect Taylor and told him to go back into B Pod, but Suspect Taylor ignored her.

**IAB Note: The D,E,F staging area is a common room outside Pods D, E, and F inside Twin Towers Correctional Facility. It is also known as the indoor recreational area.**

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] left Suspect Taylor to get an inmate for court. She then went to the booth and advised Deputy Lascurain that Suspect Taylor refused to go back into B Pod. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] and Deputy Lascurain went to the D,E,F staging area to contact Suspect Taylor. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] said she stood in front of Suspect Taylor (approximately five feet away) as Deputy Lascurain stood less than a foot to the right of Suspect Taylor. Suspect Taylor was still sitting in the chair, looking forward with a blank stare. He did not acknowledge their presence. She observed Deputy Lascurain remove a plastic soda bottle from Suspect Taylor's lap and placed it to the side. The soda bottle contained an unknown liquid substance.

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] said Deputy Lascurain asked Suspect Taylor why he was out of his cell. Suspect Taylor did not reply. Suddenly, Suspect Taylor stood up and punched Deputy Lascurain in the face with his fist (Custody Assistant [REDACTED] did not know which hand was used). Custody Assistant [REDACTED] used her radio to call for assistance. While she was talking on the radio, she noticed Deputy Lascurain and Suspect Taylor on the ground fighting. She did not know how they got to the ground. She attempted to grab Suspect Taylor's legs while he was on the ground, but he kicked her right leg, causing her to fall. While she was on the ground, she held onto Suspect Taylor's legs until additional deputies arrived. The deputies managed to handcuff Suspect Taylor. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] did not observe the actions of the responding deputies. She did not observe any deputy strike Suspect Taylor. She said Deputy Pettit and Deputy Rodriguez placed Suspect Taylor on a gurney. She observed Suspect Taylor wearing a spit mask, but she did not know who applied it. Deputies Pettit and Rodriguez escorted Suspect Taylor to the medical clinic without further incident.

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] did not recall Suspect Taylor being hobbled. She observed blood on Suspect Taylor's face, but she did not observe his injury. She noticed Deputy Lascurain was bleeding from his chin. There was blood on the floor where they fought. She was not sure who the blood came from. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] was not injured during the incident.

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] was carrying oleoresin capsicum (OC Spray), but did not have time to use it. She did not carry a taser. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] said she was aware of the Department's policy on recalcitrant inmates. She said if she had the opportunity to do things differently, she would have notified a supervisor regarding Suspect Taylor's actions.

**IAB Note:** The door to B Pod in Module 261 leads to the D,E,F staging area.

On February 17, 2016, at 1500 hours, Deputy Robert Preston from the Twin Towers Correctional Facility Training Unit was contacted by IAB investigators. Deputy Preston said Custody Assistant [REDACTED] received training [REDACTED] (See Miscellaneous Section).

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] authored a supplemental report documenting her actions and the report of her use of force to Sergeant Dresmal. After reviewing her report, she confirmed to investigators the contents were an accurate account of the incident. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] was also shown the CCTV footage from inside the D,E,F staging area [Exhibit B]. After reviewing the video, she maintained her written and oral reporting were an accurate depiction of events.

#### **DEPUTY ALEXANDER J. LASCURAIN**

On May 26, 2015, at 1026 hours, Sergeant Sonia Bracken and Sergeant Carlos Ybarra interviewed Deputy Alexander Lascurain, # [REDACTED]. The interview occurred at Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB).

Deputy Lascurain has been employed by the Sheriff's Department for approximately eight years. He is currently assigned to Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF).

Deputy Lascurain said on March 19, 2015, at approximately 0655 hours, he was working Module 261 inside Twin Towers Correctional facility. He was inside the booth when Custody Assistant [REDACTED] advised him Suspect Taylor was outside his pod, sitting inside the D,E,F staging area. Deputy Lascurain went to investigate. He said it is not uncommon for inmates to walk out of their pod and sit in a chair within the staging area. Often times, an inmate would have a problem with another inmate within the pod. In such cases, Deputy Lascurain moved the inmate to another pod to avoid an altercation between inmates. Deputy Lascurain often acted as a liaison between the Department of Mental Health (DMH) and the inmates.

Deputy Lascurain approached Suspect Taylor as Suspect Taylor was sitting in a chair. He observed a soda bottle in Suspect Taylor's lap. He removed the soda bottle and placed it in an adjacent chair. He asked Suspect Taylor if anything was wrong. Suddenly (approximately two seconds), Suspect Taylor stood up and advanced toward him while saying, "Don't tell me what to do." Suspect Taylor was very angry. Deputy Lascurain attempted to create some distance by



extending his left arm, putting his palm on Suspect Taylor's chest. It was his intent to call for a supervisor, but Suspect Taylor continued to advance. Suspect Taylor struck Deputy Lascurain in the left cheek area with his fist, causing Deputy Lascurain to fall backward. As Deputy Lascurain was falling, Suspect Taylor rushed toward him. Suspect Taylor lost his balance and fell with Deputy Lascurain. Suspect Taylor's momentum caused him to propel over the top of Deputy Lascurain. As they both were getting up from the ground, they were facing each other. Deputy Lascurain managed to get up slightly before Suspect Taylor. Suspect Taylor was leaning forward attempting to get up. Deputy Lascurain wrapped both his arms around Suspect Taylor's torso, while trying to control him. Deputy Lascurain's body was bent forward with his torso on Suspect Taylor's back. Suspect Taylor continued to fight with Deputy Lascurain, as he attempted to completely stand up. Deputy Lascurain struck Suspect Taylor once on the left side of his head with his right fist.

Deputy Lascurain swung Suspect Taylor's body in an attempt to get him on the ground to gain better control of him. Suspect Taylor lost his balance and fell to the ground. He managed to mount Suspect Taylor. Suspect Taylor was on his back as Deputy Lascurain straddled him, sitting on Suspect Taylor's chest area, as they continued to struggle. Deputy Lascurain grabbed Suspect Taylor's hands and placed his right knee on Suspect Taylor's left shoulder to prevent him from punching. Deputy Lascurain said he told Suspect Taylor to stop fighting, but Suspect Taylor did not comply. Suspect Taylor began growling at Deputy Lascurain. Deputy Lascurain noticed Suspect Taylor's face was covered in blood. He feared Suspect Taylor would spit on him.

He attempted to roll Suspect Taylor over to his stomach to be handcuffed, but Suspect Taylor continued to struggle while attempting to get up. Deputies Ronderos and Sandoval arrived and they assisted in rolling Suspect Taylor over to his stomach. Suspect Taylor was handcuffed. After Suspect Taylor was handcuffed, Deputy Lascurain exited the indoor D,E,F staging area and went to the outside staging area. He reported his actions to Sergeant Dresmal. Deputy Lascurain was not involved in transporting Suspect Taylor to the medical clinic.

Deputy Lascurain's uniform and undershirt had Suspect Taylor's blood on it. Deputy Lascurain sustained a ½" scratch on the right side of his chin. He was taken to Proactive Health Services for medical treatment.

Deputy Lascurain said he knew the Department's Recalcitrant Inmate Policy. When he contacted Subject Taylor, he did not feel Suspect Taylor's actions made him recalcitrant. If he felt Suspect Taylor's actions were recalcitrant, he would have notified a supervisor.

**IAB Note:**

**[REDACTED] Deputy Lascurain received training  
(See Miscellaneous Section).**

Deputy Lascurain authored a supplemental report documenting his actions and the report of his use of force to Sergeant Dresmal. After reviewing his report, he confirmed to investigators the contents were an accurate account of the incident. Deputy Lascurain was also shown the CCTV footage from inside the D,E,F staging area [Exhibit B]. After reviewing the video, he maintained his written and oral reporting were an accurate depiction of events.

**DEPUTY [REDACTED]**

On May 26, 2015, at 1100 hours, Sergeant Sonia Bracken and Sergeant Carlos Ybarra interviewed Deputy [REDACTED] # [REDACTED] at Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB).

Deputy [REDACTED] has been employed by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for approximately two years. He is currently assigned to the Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF).

Deputy [REDACTED] said on March 19, 2015, at approximately 0655 hours, he was working Module 262 inside TTCF. Deputy [REDACTED] heard a radio broadcast that a deputy was involved in a fight in Module 261. He responded to assist. Once he arrived, he observed Suspect Taylor lying on his back with Deputy Lascurain on top of him. Deputy Lascurain was trying to control Suspect Taylor's hands. Deputy [REDACTED] observed Deputy Lascurain's right knee over Suspect's Taylor's left shoulder, pinning it to the ground, preventing Suspect Taylor from punching with his left hand. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] was attempting to control Suspect Taylor's legs.

Deputy [REDACTED] grabbed Suspect Taylor's left arm and ordered Suspect Taylor to relax and stop fighting. Suspect Taylor ignored his order. Deputy [REDACTED] advised Deputy Lascurain to roll Suspect Taylor over to his stomach. Deputy [REDACTED] maintained control of Suspect Taylor's left arm as Deputy Lascurain slightly lifted Suspect Taylor's body. They rolled Suspect Taylor onto his stomach. Suspect Taylor continued to struggle by attempting to get up.

Deputy [REDACTED] said he placed his right knee on Suspect Taylor's left shoulder. Suspect Taylor continued to resist. Deputy [REDACTED] grabbed Suspect Taylor's left bicep with his left hand and Suspect Taylor's left wrist with his right hand, which prevented Suspect Taylor from striking him. Deputy [REDACTED] guided Suspect Taylor's left arm behind his back for handcuffing. Suspect Taylor was handcuffed. Deputy [REDACTED] said Sergeant Rodriguez gave instructions to apply the hobble restraint to Suspect Taylor's legs. The hobble was applied. Deputy [REDACTED] did not know who applied the hobble restraint. He said during the incident, he did not observe anyone strike Suspect Taylor.

**(AB Note:** Deputy [REDACTED] wrote the incident report [Exhibit A]. Within his report, he said he viewed the Close-Circuit Television video footage. He was not given a video admonishment. Deputy [REDACTED] viewed the video after he described his actions in the incident report. He used the video to describe the events that occurred prior to him arriving at Module 261. He was not sure who gave him the CD containing the incident.

**DEPUTY [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]**

On October 29, 2015, at 0936 hours, Sergeant Sonia Bracken interviewed Deputy [REDACTED]. The interview occurred at the Los Angeles County Medical Center (LCMC).

Deputy [REDACTED] has been employed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for approximately eight years. [REDACTED]

On March 19, 2015, at approximately 0655 hours, Deputy [REDACTED] was working Module 262 within Twin Towers Correctional Facility. He heard a radio broadcast regarding a deputy involved in a fight in Module 261. He arrived with Deputy [REDACTED]. He observed Custody Assistant [REDACTED] and Deputy Lascurain on the ground with Suspect Taylor in the D,E,F indoor staging area. Suspect Taylor appeared to be struggling while trying to get up. Deputy [REDACTED] observed Suspect Taylor on his side (unknown which side) with Deputy Lascurain seated on top of him, attempting to control his hands. Deputy [REDACTED] immediately grabbed Suspect Taylor's ankles. He used his body weight to prevent Suspect Taylor from kicking deputy personnel.

Deputy Lascurain was able to turn Suspect Taylor onto his stomach. Deputy [REDACTED] crossed Suspect Taylor's ankles, and continued to keep his weight on them. He heard Deputy Lascurain tell Suspect Taylor to place his hands behind his back and stop fighting, but Suspect Taylor did not comply.

Deputy [REDACTED] said Sergeant Rodriguez arrived and directed him to hobble Suspect Taylor's legs. As he controlled Suspect Taylor's ankles, he handed his hobble restraint to Custody Assistant [REDACTED]. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] applied the hobble restraint around Suspect Taylor's ankles. Suspect Taylor continued to struggle by thrashing his body from side to side. He heard someone give several orders to Suspect Taylor to stop fighting, but he was unsure who gave the orders. Suspect Taylor was handcuffed and placed on a gurney. Deputy [REDACTED] did not witness Suspect Taylor being handcuffed, due to his back being turned and his focus on controlling Suspect Taylor's ankles. At no time did Deputy [REDACTED] witness any deputy strike Suspect Taylor. Suspect Taylor was transported to the medical clinic within TTCF without further incident.

Deputy [REDACTED] authored a supplemental report documenting his actions and the report of his use of force to Sergeant Dresmal. After reviewing his report, he confirmed to investigators the contents were an accurate account of the incident. Deputy [REDACTED] was offered the opportunity to view the CCTV footage from inside the D,E,F staging area [Exhibit B]. After reviewing the video, he maintained his written and oral reporting were an accurate depiction of events.

#### **CUSTODY ASSISTANT [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]**

On June 3, 2015, at 1100 hours, Sergeant Sonja Bracken and Sergeant Carlos Ybarra interviewed Custody Assistant [REDACTED]. The interview occurred at Internal Affairs Bureau.

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] has been employed by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for approximately seven years. She is currently assigned to Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] said on March 19, 2015, at 0655 hours, she was working Module 251 at Twin Towers Correctional Facility. She heard a broadcast that a deputy was involved in a fight in Module 261. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] responded to assist. When she arrived, she observed Deputy Lascrain, Deputy [REDACTED], Deputy [REDACTED] and Custody Assistant [REDACTED] attempting to restrain suspect Taylor on the floor. She heard one of the deputies ordering Suspect Taylor to release his hands and stop kicking. Suspect Taylor did not comply. Sergeant Rodriguez was on scene and directed Custody Assistant [REDACTED] to apply a hobble restraint to Suspect Taylor's ankles. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] observed Deputy [REDACTED] holding both of Suspect Taylor's ankles in an attempt to prevent him from kicking. Deputy [REDACTED] handed Custody Assistant [REDACTED] a hobble to restrain Suspect Taylor's feet. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] placed the hobble around Suspect Taylor's ankles and was able to secure his feet to prevent him from kicking. Suspect Taylor was handcuffed. She observed a spit mask on Suspect Taylor's face. She did not know who applied the spit mask. She notified Sergeant Rodriguez of her actions.

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] said Suspect Taylor was transported to the medical clinic within TTCF to be observed for possible injuries sustained during the altercation. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] did not observe any injuries to Deputy Lascrain or Suspect Taylor.

Custody Assistant [REDACTED] authored a supplemental report documenting her actions and the report of her use of force to Sergeant Dresmal. After reviewing her report, she confirmed to investigators the contents were an accurate account of the incident. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] was also offered the opportunity to view



the CCTV footage from inside the D,E,F staging area [Exhibit B]. She declined to review the video.

**DEPUTY [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]**

On September 15, 2015, at 1240 hours, Sergeant Sonia Bracken and Sergeant David Moore interviewed Deputy [REDACTED]. The interview occurred within the watch commander's office at the Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

Deputy [REDACTED] has been employed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for approximately two years. She is currently assigned to Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

Deputy [REDACTED] said on March 19, 2015, at approximately 0655 hours, she was working Module 251 within the Twin Towers Correctional Facility. She heard a radio broadcast regarding a deputy involved in a fight in Module 261. She responded to assist. It took her approximately two minutes to arrive. When she arrived at the indoor recreation room near Module 261, she observed Suspect Taylor lying on his stomach attempting to get up. Suspect Taylor appeared to be bleeding from his mouth as he screamed. She heard Suspect Taylor make a sound that resembled someone clearing their throat, as if they were about to spit.

Deputy Lascurain was sitting on top of Suspect Taylor trying to control his hands for handcuffing. Deputy [REDACTED] relieved Custody Assistant [REDACTED] and applied a control hold to suspect Taylor's right wrist, as his right hand was near his waist area. She saw a deputy (unknown) toward Suspect Taylor's waist. She observed Deputy [REDACTED] holding Suspect Taylor's ankles, attempting to prevent Suspect Taylor from kicking. Deputy [REDACTED] said Suspect Taylor was thrashing his body from side to side, screaming, as he was trying to get out of the deputies' grasp. She pressed her right knee against the right side of Suspect Taylor's waist to prevent him from thrashing his body. Deputy [REDACTED] applied the handcuff to Suspect Taylor's left wrist. Deputy [REDACTED] assisted Deputy [REDACTED] by guiding Suspect Taylor's right wrist toward her to be handcuffed. A spit mask was applied to Suspect Taylor's face. Deputy [REDACTED] did not know who applied the mask. Suspect Taylor was taken to the medical clinic without further incident. Deputy [REDACTED] was not involved in transporting Suspect Taylor to the medical clinic.

Deputy [REDACTED] authored a supplemental report documenting her actions and the report of her use of force to Sergeant Rodriguez. After reviewing her report, she confirmed to investigators the contents were an accurate account of the incident. Deputy [REDACTED] was also shown the CCTV footage from inside the D,E,F staging area [Exhibit B]. After reviewing the video, she maintained her written and oral reporting were an accurate depiction of events.

**DEPUTY** [REDACTED]

On September 13, 2015, at 1204 hours Sergeant Sonja Bracken and Sergeant David Moore interviewed Deputy [REDACTED]. The interview occurred at Internal Affairs Bureau.

Deputy [REDACTED] has been employed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for 10 years. She is currently assigned to Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

Deputy [REDACTED] said on March 19, 2016, at 0655 hours, she was working Module 251 inside Twin Towers Correctional Facility. She responded to a deputy involved fight in module 261. She arrived approximately one minute after hearing the radio broadcast. She observed Deputies Lasceraín, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and Custody Assistant [REDACTED] on the ground with Suspect Taylor. They were attempting to restrain Suspect Taylor, as he attempted to get up. Suspect Taylor was lying on his stomach. Deputy [REDACTED] removed her handcuffs and handcuffed Suspect Taylor's right wrist, as she guided his arm behind his back. Another deputy (unknown) assisted her by guiding Suspect Taylor's left wrist behind his back. She applied the other handcuff to Suspect Taylor's left wrist. Suspect Taylor continued to resist. He was kicking his legs, attempting to get Deputy [REDACTED] to release his ankles. Deputy [REDACTED] observed Custody Assistant [REDACTED] apply a hobble restraint to Suspect Taylor's ankles. Suspect Taylor was placed on a gurney and taken to the medical clinic within TTCF. Deputy [REDACTED] did not witness any deputy personnel strike Suspect Taylor. Deputy [REDACTED] reported her actions to Sergeant Dresmal.

Deputy [REDACTED] authored a supplemental report documenting her actions and the report of her use of force to Sergeant Dresmal. After reviewing her report, she confirmed to investigators the contents were an accurate account of the incident. Deputy [REDACTED] was also offered the opportunity to view the CCTV footage from inside the D,E,F staging area [Exhibit B]. She declined to review the video.

#### **SERGEANT LETICIA M. RODRIGUEZ**

On February 26, 2016, at 0921 hours, Sergeant Anthony Easter interviewed Sergeant Leticia Rodriguez, # [REDACTED]. The interview occurred at Twin Towers Correctional Facility within the watch sergeant's office.

Sergeant Rodriguez has been employed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for 16 years. She has been assigned to Twin Towers Correctional facility for approximately two years.

On February 19, 2015, at 0655 hours, Sergeant Rodriguez was assigned as the Tower Two Sergeant. She responded to Module 261 regarding a deputy involved in a fight. She arrived approximately two minutes after hearing the radio

broadcast. When she arrived, she noticed Deputy Lascurain's uniform shirt was disheveled and had blood on it. Suspect Taylor was bleeding from his face. She observed Deputy Lascurain, Deputy [REDACTED] and Custody Assistant [REDACTED] on the floor with Suspect Taylor in the indoor recreational area (D,E,F staging area). Suspect Taylor was on his stomach. Suspect Taylor was resisting Deputy Lascurain, Deputy [REDACTED] and Custody Assistant [REDACTED] by attempting to get up from the floor as he screamed. Deputy Lascurain was sitting on Suspect Taylor's back, attempting to restrain him by putting Suspect Taylor's hands behind his back. Deputy [REDACTED] assisted Deputy Lascurain by guiding Suspect Taylor's left hand behind his back. Sergeant Rodriguez and Deputy Lascurain gave orders to Suspect Taylor to stop resisting, but he did not comply.

Additional deputies arrived, and Suspect Taylor was handcuffed. Sergeant Rodriguez was not certain who applied the handcuffs. She instructed Custody Assistant [REDACTED] to hobble Suspect Taylor's ankles to prevent him from kicking deputy personnel. A spit mask was applied to Suspect Taylor's face, but she did not remember who applied it. She did not remember if she ordered anyone to apply the spit mask.

Sergeant Rodriguez and Deputy Pettit arrived, placed Suspect Taylor on the gurney, and transported him to the medical clinic without further incident.

**IAB Note:** The IAB investigator asked Sergeant Rodriguez if she provided Deputy [REDACTED] with the video footage captured on Close Circuit Television. She said she did not provide him the video. She did not know who provided the video.

Sergeant Rodriguez was shown the CCTV footage from inside the D,E,F staging area [Exhibit B]. After reviewing the video, she said her statement was an accurate depiction of events.

**INMATE** [REDACTED]

On March 19, 2015, at 0715 hours, Sergeant Leticia Rodriguez conducted a videotaped interview with Witness [REDACTED] booking # [REDACTED] [Exhibit F]. The interview occurred within Module 261 of Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

Witness [REDACTED] said on March 19, 2015, he was inside Module 261 E-Pod. He was looking through the window and noticed Suspect Taylor appearing disoriented. Suspect Taylor exited B Pod. Witness [REDACTED] observed Custody Assistant [REDACTED] talking to Suspect Taylor. Witness [REDACTED] told Suspect Taylor to comply with Custody Assistant [REDACTED]. Suspect Taylor sat in a chair within the indoor recreational room and did not comply with Custody Assistant [REDACTED].

Witness [REDACTED] observed Deputy Lascurain approach Suspect Taylor as he sat in a chair. Deputy Lascurain removed a plastic soda bottle from Suspect Taylor. Suddenly, Suspect Taylor stood up and approached Deputy Lascurain. Custody Assistant [REDACTED] used her radio to call for assistance. Deputy Lascurain put his hand on Suspect Taylor's chest, while saying, "Sit down, sit back down." Suspect Taylor punched Deputy Lascurain in the face with his right fist. Deputy Lascurain fell backward as Suspect Taylor rushed toward him. Suspect Taylor fell, and his momentum caused him to pass Deputy Lascurain. Witness [REDACTED] said Suspect Taylor continued to fight Deputy Lascurain and would not give up. Additional deputies arrived and took Suspect Taylor into custody.

**INMATE** [REDACTED]

On March 19, 2015, at 0710 hours, Sergeant Kellee Hicks conducted a videotaped interview with Witness [REDACTED] booking # [REDACTED] [Exhibit F]. The interview occurred in Module 261 in F-Pod within Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

Witness [REDACTED] said on March 19, 2015, he was inside Module 261 in F-Pod reading a newspaper. He did not witness the incident involving Suspect Taylor.

**INMATE** [REDACTED]

On March 19, 2015, at 0705 hours, Sergeant Kellee Hicks conducted a videotaped interview with Witness [REDACTED] booking # [REDACTED] [Exhibit F]. The interview occurred in Module 261, F-Pod within Twin Towers Correctional Facility. Witness [REDACTED] was reluctant to provide a statement.

On March 19, 2015, Witness [REDACTED] said Suspect Taylor was fighting with Deputy Lascurain. Deputy Lascurain told Suspect Taylor to stop resisting. Witness [REDACTED] would not provide further detail.

**INMATE** [REDACTED]

On March 19, 2015, at 0720 hours, Sergeant Rodriguez conducted a videotaped interview with Witness [REDACTED] booking # [REDACTED] [Exhibit F]. The interview occurred in Module 261, F-Pod within Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

On March 19, 2015, Witness [REDACTED] was asleep in Module 261, F-Pod. He was awakened by an altercation in the indoor recreation room. He observed Suspect Taylor lying on his stomach with a deputy on Suspect Taylor's back attempting to restrain him. He saw Suspect Taylor resisting the deputy. He said a custody assistant applied restraints to Suspect Taylor's ankles because he continued to resist.



## **DOCTOR ARTHUR PRYOR # [REDACTED]**

On March 19, 2015, at 1130 hours, Sergeant Jennifer Dresmal conducted a videotaped interview with Witness Arthur Pryor, # [REDACTED] [Exhibit E]. The interview occurred within an examination room in the Los Angeles County Medical Center Urgent Care. Witness Pryor is a Physician employed by Los Angeles County.

Witness Pryor said on March 19, 2015, he treated Suspect Taylor for an abrasion and a small laceration to his right eye lid. He observed dried blood in Suspect Taylor's right ear, but he did not observe an injury. He also treated Suspect Taylor for an abrasion and small cut to Suspect Taylor's left foot. Suspect Taylor sustained a broken left hand. Witness Pryor said Suspect Taylor's injuries were consistent with being taken to the ground.

## **SUSPECT RANDY TAYLOR**

On March 19, 2015, at 0900 hours, Lieutenant Romeo Ingreso and Sergeant Jennifer Dresmal conducted a videotaped interview with Suspect Taylor [Exhibit E]. The interview occurred in the medical clinic within Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

On March 19, 2015, Lieutenant Ingreso was the Day Shift Watch Commander at Twin Towers Correctional Facility. Lieutenant Ingreso told Suspect Taylor he was conducting a force investigation. He advised Suspect Taylor that his statement could not be used against him. Suspect Taylor said he understood his rights and did not want to talk about the incident. Suspect Taylor was sitting on a gurney when the interview occurred.

Lieutenant Ingreso observed a band aid on the right side of Suspect Taylor's right eyebrow, dried blood near Suspect Taylor's mustache and beard area, a small abrasion to Suspect Taylor's left cheek, a contusion to Suspect Taylor's left hand, dried blood inside Suspect Taylor's right ear, and bandages on Suspect Taylor's right forearm and right hand. Lieutenant Ingreso asked Suspect Taylor how he obtained his injuries, while Sergeant Dresmal videotaped.

Initially, Suspect Taylor was silent and did not respond to Lieutenant Ingreso. Suspect Taylor later said medical staff put bandages on his right hand and forearm after administering an IV. He stated blood dripped from his right eyelid into his right ear when he was receiving medical attention in the medical clinic. Suspect Taylor advised Lieutenant Ingreso he was accused of having mental issues in the past.

On April 14, 2015, at 1100 hours, Sergeant Sonja Bracken interviewed Suspect Randy Taylor. The interview occurred within Module 261 of the Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

Suspect Taylor said on March 19, 2015, a female put her knee in the back of his neck, pressing it into a pole, as he sat in a chair outside of Module 261. Suspect Taylor stated he stood up and walked away. Suspect Taylor said he was diagnosed with Paranoia Schizophrenia and was prescribed Depakote.

**IAB Note: Suspect Taylor did not answer the IAB investigator's questions intelligibly.**

**Depakote is a medication used to treat manic episodes associated with bipolar disorder.**

Suspect Taylor then said on March 19, 2015, nothing occurred. Suspect Taylor was asked about the cast on his left hand. He denied having an injury to his hand. He stated he never had a fight with a male deputy.

Later during the interview, Suspect Taylor said he obtained stitches near his right eye brow, due to a deputy pushing him onto the ground. He stated the deputy started the altercation. Suspect Taylor did not elaborate further.

#### **CLOSE-CIRCUIT TELEVISION VIDEO REVIEW**

00:22	Suspect Taylor entered the D,E,F indoor staging area with Custody Assistant [REDACTED] following him.
00:27	Suspect Taylor sat in a chair as Custody Assistant [REDACTED] appeared to be talking to him.
00:47	Custody Assistant [REDACTED] walked away from Suspect Taylor, as he continued to sit in the chair.
02:13	Custody Assistant [REDACTED] re-entered the D,E,F indoor staging area and appeared to be talking to Suspect Taylor as he sat in the chair.
02:41	Deputy Lascurain entered the D,E,F indoor staging area and approached Suspect Taylor.
02:52	Deputy Lascurain removed a plastic soda bottle from Suspect Taylor's lap.
02:55	Suspect Taylor stood up and advanced toward Deputy Lascurain
02:57	Suspect Taylor struck Deputy Lascurain, causing him to fall backwards.

03:00 Custody Assist [REDACTED] requested assistance via her portable radio, while Deputy Lascurain and Suspect Taylor were on the ground fighting.

03:09 - 03:26 Suspect Taylor kicked Custody Assistant [REDACTED] causing her to fall as the fight continued.

03:27- 03:55 Additional deputies arrived to assist. Suspect Taylor continued to resist while on the ground.

03:56 Sergeant Rodriguez arrived on scene. Deputy personnel handcuffed Suspect Taylor

04:11 Deputy Lascurain removed himself from the incident.

04:27 Sergeant Dresmal arrived on scene.

04:42 Sergeant Dresmal appeared to tell deputies to return to their assignment

04:23 - 05:00 Custody Assistant [REDACTED] applied the hobble to Suspect Taylor's ankles

05:01- 08:28 Suspect Taylor was subdued on the ground.

08:07 Medical personnel arrived.

08:29 - 09:02 Suspect Taylor was placed on a gurney and secured.

0903 Suspect Taylor was transported to the medical clinic.

0956 Sergeant Rodriguez conducted a debriefing.